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ABSTRACT

The Program on Institutional Management in Higher Education of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development studied information technology (IT) in higher education. Specifically, the study aimed to investigate the state of the art of IT in European higher education, examine the potential of IT and the impact of IT developments on higher education, and identify management issues of IT. Six topics were identified as a way of classifying the use of IT across the higher education spectrum, and are represented in the following six papers: (1) "Teaching and Learning" (Gordon Bull); (2) "Research and National Networking" (Yves Epelboin); (3) "Administration" (Edgar Frackmann); (4) "Management Information" (Carry Dallinga-Hunter); (5) "Libraries and Information Services" (Edgar Frackmann); and (6) "General Management Issues" (Edgar Frackmann). In addition, analyses of the range of national initiatives in support of IT and their impact in five countries are presented, in the following papers: "France" (Yves Epelboin); "Germany" (Edgar Frackmann); "Ireland" (Dennis Jennings); "Netherlands" (Carry Dallinga-Hunter); and "United Kingdom" (Gordon Bull). Most papers contain references. (JDD)

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